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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Robert J. Saccomanno  
Serial No. : 10/752,397  
Filing Date : January 6, 2004  
Title : Coupling a Tapered Optical Element to an Optical Fiber  
Art Unit : N/A  
Examiner : N/A

**Response to Notice of Incomplete Application**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 2231-1450

Sir:


This is in response to the Notice of Incomplete Non Provisional Application dated June 3, 2004 , which Notice asserted that the application filed January 6, 2004, was incomplete for failure to include the drawings referred to in the specification; a copy of the Notice is enclosed. Applicant is accordingly also enclosing herewith the three sheets of drawing, comprising Figures 1-6.

Applicant, however, believes that the original filing of the application included the drawing, as evidenced by the return post card received from the USPTO and is accordingly, by a separate communication, petitioning for the original filing date of January 6, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date

June 21, 2004

Enclosed  
Notice of Incomplete NonProvisional Application  
Figs. 1-6 ( 3 sheets)